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SUBJECT: CUBAN TRADE--LITTON LICENSE

FOLLOWING IS CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE WHICH THE DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE THE SPOKESMAN IN RESPONSE TO ANY INQUIRIES ON THE COLE-LITTON MATTER: QUOTE

Q. LITTON INDUSTRIES HAS RECEIVED A LICENSE FROM THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT TO EXPORT OFFICE FURNITURE FROM A CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY TO CUBA. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? IS THERE A CHANGE IN POLICY?

A. WE CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES OF THIS KIND ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. AS YOU MAY RECALL FROM THE ARGENTINE CASE LAST FALL, WE DO ON OCCASION ISSUE LICENSES FOR U.S. SUBSIDIARY TRADE WITH CUBA. THIS PARTICULAR APPLICATION WAS DECIDED ON ITS OWN MERITS.

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FUTURE APPLICATIONS WILL BE TREATED SIMILARLY.

Q. BUT YOU USUALLY DENY APPLICATIONS. WHAT WAS SO SPECIAL ABOUT THIS ONE?

A. AS I INDICATED, WE HAVE NO HARD AND FAST RULE. OUR RELATIONS WITH CANADA WERE OBVIOUSLY OF IMPORTANCE IN REACHING AN AFFIRMATIVE DECISION IN THIS CASE.

Q. DOES THAT MEAN YOU WILL GRANT LICENSES IN ALL FUTURE CANADIAN CASES?

A. I WOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO READ THESE LARGER IMPLICATIONS INTO THIS ONE CASE. WE WILL CONSIDER THE APPLICATIONS AS THEY COME IN, AND ON THEIR MERITS.

Q. WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, THEN, IS THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN POLICY.

A. I AM SAYING THAT THIS WAS AN INDIVIDUAL CASE. IT WAS DECIDED ON ITS MERITS. SEPARATE FROM IT, WE ARE, AS THE SECRETARY HAS SAID, REVIEWING OUR CUBA POLICY IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OAS AND IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THAT ORGANIZATION.

Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER LICENSE APPLICATIONS?

A. THERE ARE A NUMBER ON FILE. WE ARE GIVING EACH ONE DUE CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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